

Please reject this proposal. The argument that 'field repairable' radios somehow 'increase the growth of technical knowledge in the field' is specious at best; since most radios other than those in Amateur Service would NOT be manufactured in the same fashion and thus this 'knowledge' would be useless. Further, the proposal would result in decrease of available amateur radio equipment, since many manufacturers would be unable to maintain tooling for two different types of radios. Finally, there is NO precedent for government regulation in this area (component placement in electronics equipment) except for life and safety issues.